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U.S. Application of: Masahito NIIKAWA and Hiroaki KUBO  
For: DRIVING DEVICE AND INFORMATION  
PROCESSING DEVICE FOR A DATA STORAGE  
MEDIUM  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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